

Charge to the Committee

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- Scientific Productivity
 - user number
 - quality of science
 - comparison with similar beam lines
- User satisfaction
- Beamline performance
- Technical and infrastructure development
 - quality
 - importance
 - relevance to user program
- Resource allocation
- Interaction with other programs at the NSLS
- Future plan

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Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting

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Report from the Synchrotron Advisory Board to the NIH NIGMS Council on the Effectiveness of the Staff Initiated Grant Supplements to Increase Access of NIGMS Grantees to Synchrotron X-ray Facilities.

Future support should be reduced with the anticipated closing of this beamline

Positive:

The committee acknowledged the useful niche role occupied by X6A and were pleased with the overall performance of staff and the facility.

- Infrastructure
 - ❖ auto-mounter
 - ❖ Blulce interface
- Staffing
 - ❖ 4 Full Time Equivalent (FTE)
- Productivity
 - ❖ some excellent science
 - ❖ publication exceeded 50 in 2008
- User
 - ❖ ^{15Mar2010}access: self-scheduling

Negative:

Significant concern was expressed for the future of the facility. Overall the committee feeling was that, while the personnel associated with this beamline had made the best of a less than optimal facility.

- Infrastructure
 - ❖ Bending magnet source
 - ❖ Detector replacement in case of failure
 - ❖ Remote access